GREAT CELEBRATION OF THE NATION'S NATAL DAY

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Eagle Bird Screams in Joyous Exhiliration, to Accompaniment of Bursting Bombs and Cracking Crackers.

Celebration Opens With Monster Parade, After Which Patriotic Exercises Are Held, Hon. J. Bruce Polwarth of Cathlamet, Wahkiakum County, Wash., Electrifying the Crowd With His Eloquence.

successful in the history of Astoria. The city was crowded with visitors out promptly and without hitch. The committee had been scrupulously careful with the arrangements, and there

nearby points brought hundreds of visitors to the city. The celebration had been well advertised and the crowds came early and stayed late. Many of those who came to the city for the Fourth were women and children, and all day long the streets were crowded.

The Monster Parade.

At 1 o'clock the big parade took its event whose 128th anniversary we are way through the principal portion of today celebrating." he city. The turnout was really a magnificent one, the presence of almost 200 soldiers from Forts Stevens and Columbia adding greatly to the interest in the procession. The line of march was densely packed with onlokers, who vigorously applauded the men in line. The formation of the parade was a follows:

Grand Marshal and Aides. Platoon of Police. G. A. R. Eagles' Military Band. United States Troops. Chairman O'Connell. Liberty Car. Mayor and County Judge. Orators. Clergymen. City Officials. Eagles and Float. Foresters and Float. Red Men and Float. Finnish Brotherhood and Float. Clerks' Union and Float. Carpenters' Union and Float.

Mercantile Floats. The liberty car was an attractive affair and the young ladies who rode on it were tendered frequent ovations by the enthusiastic multitude.

The Patriotic Exercises.

At the corner of Eleventh and Duane streets a stand had been erected and here the patriotic exercises were held. church delivered the invocation, after and complete? which the declaration of independence was read by John C. McCue. Then county, Washington. The crowd was

place is in the hearts of men. It is that place-a high and exalted one-

Yesterday's celebration of the Fourth minds or any aggregation of intellecof July was unquestionably the most tual giants. It does not spring from whose brows history has placed the laurel wreaths of victory. It is the during the entire day, the weather was result of causes working along conwas no delay in pulling off the events. to the demands induced by awakening The free excursion boats run to all intelligence. Radium-like, it charges with its own principles, its own inherent qualities, those with whom it comes in contact, gaining momentum as favorable opportunities arise; for a period dormant, owing to the negative condition of the mass, again moving vigilance is the price of liberty." with pristine vigor, more often impelling men than impelled by them, and recognized , when culminating in the

Tribute to Motherhood.

Mr. Polworth paid a tribute to the women of the land in the following

"Again, there is one whose ear is ever attuned to the majestic hymn of freedom; whose soul throbbed in unison to its sublime notes; whose prophetic intuition and poetic vision saw in the future the realization of the dreams of the present; who saw humanity raised from a lower to a higher estate and a measure of happiness and contentment for all; who whispered ing-S. Dangizer & Co., first; Peterson these glad tiding to those in whose & Brown, second. hands the weapons of warfare might accomplish the result so earnestly desired; who swept aside all doubts, inspired with her sublime and matchless courage, and made these dreams realities; who waited in heroic grandeur crushed her grief with a heroism unequaled on any field of carnage, and who made it possible for mankind to

"To her who did these things-to woman, who has reared the world's heroes to her whom we revere and love as mother, wife, daughter, sweetheart, we have denied the right of suffrage and placed her on a par with the blanketed wanderers of the plains, the Cossacks of the new world. Have we attained to all that savors of freedom? Father Waters of St. Mary's Catholic is our work along these lines finished

No Trust on Freedom.

"We have 'trusted' about everything followed the address of Hon. J. Bruce else, yet we have no trust on freedom. Polworth of Cathlamet, Wahklakum though our article is the greatest, grandest, most majestic and sublime anxious to hear Mr. Polworth's ad- the world has ever seen. Out of the dress, which was characteristic and peoples of the world, from every toninteresting throughout. It was a beau- gue and from every clime, it has gathtiful word picture of the progress of ered its quota and is making of them our great nation, and at frequent in- a nation-the greatest apostle of freetervals the speaker injected some of dom humanity has ever known, and his well-known wit, to the genuine which will carry to the uttermost ends merriment of his hearers. The day, he of the earth the gospel of liberty, frasaid, was one that told of the advance- ternity, equality, which offers to the ment of all humanity toward the ideal. people of all lands a shelter and a "Liberty is not the work of a mo- home where is possible the greatest ment. Its growth is gradual; it comes individual effort; where education is slowly but irresistibly, as the morn as free as the wild bird's song; where follows after the night. It has no will be given to the toiling masses, who birthplace, king nor subject, high nor are its very foundation, who in peace low, rich nor poor, and its abiding are its pride, and in war its defense, not the peculiar perquisite of any na- to which they are so justly entitled; a tion. None can claim it as an ex- nation where the grim specter of miliclusive possession; none possesses in tarism has no place, for it presents its fullness and entirety. It is not to the whole world the offerings of the copyrighted product of any master peace and in times of war millions of

breasts with but a single purpose, single aim, a single thought! Our Sacred Stewardship.

"There has been entrusted to our care and keeping the sacred flame of liberty, and it is a responsible, onerous, yet a glorious, trust! We owe as such guardians a duty to those who come after us, to those to whom we must render an account of our stewardship, and that is that there shall be no diminution in the light given or in the viality of the sacred flame; that those things entrusted to us have not diminished, but that, while jealously conserving what was given, we have added thereto by those things resulting from increased power, experience, knowledge the successful efforts of the few upon and love of humanity. Thus will we be laying the foundation for the future of our country so deep and broad, so grand and glorious, that we cannot good and the exercises were carried verging lines for untold years; from a conceive of it nor tongue portray its sequence of events originating in ob- beauties. Then will our nation be the scurity; from causes operating within arbiter of the world's destinies, ever to the mass, arising out of and springing be found on the side of peace and freefrom the needs of humanity responsive dom; then will glory consist not in territorial aggrandizement, but in the promulgation and dissemination of those principles which will insure the advancement and elevation of all man-

> "But these things are only possible by bearing ever in mind that eternal

The benediction by Rev. H. H. Brown of the First Presbyterian church brought the patriotic exercises to a close. The Eagles' Military band rendered several patriotic selections during the exercises.

Winners of Special Prizes.

The committee awarded the following special prizes:

Society having largest number of members over 50, with best float-Red Men, first prize; Foresters, second

Union having most appropriate float -Clerks', first; carpenters', second. Best mercantile float-H. W. Chris-

Best outside decorated store or build-

The Program of Sports.

After an exhibition by the Astoria hose team, a program of sports was carried out on the downtown streets, with the following results:

Race for boys under 15, 75 yardsne outcome of the struggle; who First price, \$3. Frank Cearns; second prize, \$2, Wesley Welch.

Race for boys under 10, 75 yards-First prize, \$2, Fred Stevens; second prize, \$1, Oscar Carlson.

Fat men's race-Won by John Corno: prize, box of cigars.

Sack race, boys under 15, 30 yards-First prize, \$3, Wesley Welch; second prize, \$2. Walter Smart.

Three-legged race, boys under 15, 30 yards-Won by W. L. Buckley and Wesley Welch; prize, \$2.

Three-legged race, open to all-Won by Corno and Johnson; prize, \$3; second, L. Hartwig and Frank Raymond;

Two hundred and twenty yards, open -First prize, \$10, Cravin; second prize,

Boys pick-a-back race-First, \$2, Ed O'Neill and Hy Jockimson; second, \$1, W. L. McCroskey and Earl Holmes. Tug of war-Won by Jake Wedel, Otto Gramms, F. Cronin and Bert

Hunt: prize, \$15. One hundred yard dash-First prize, \$10, Cravin; second prize, \$5, J. F.

Pie-eating contest-Prizes, \$1; won by Leo Furnie and George Beard. Race for girls under 15-First prize, \$3. Clara Johnson; second prize, \$2.

The celebration was concluded with the fireworks display in the evening and a band concert at Eleventh and

Florence Johnson.

Kiely Wins Championship.

St. Louis, July 4.-Thomas F. Kiely of Ireland won the all-around athletic championship of the world from five other noted athletes at the games held today under the auspices of the A

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The Commercial Club football team was organized for the coming season at a meeting held at the clubrooms Sunday evening. The officers selected were as follows:

Captain-Harry Graham. Manager-George Ohler.

Treasurer-Frank Woodfield.

The team will begin at once to arrange its schedule for the season. It is the intention to bring to Astoria the crack elevens of the northwest, and the sport-loving people of this city will see some great ball during the winter. Last year's team finished with a clean record, and Coach Abercrombie expects to make even a better showing this year. Last year Fort Stevens scored against Commercial on a fluke, one of the soldiers having run out of bounds with the ball and carried it over the goal line. Because of the fact that the Commercials had scored about 30 points in the game, the irregular score was permitted to stand. This was the only time Commercial was scored against, even the fast team of Indians from all the Indian schools falling before the locals.

Harry Graham will be back in the game this year. He was hurt some time ago and could not play last season, but he has been playing baseball this year and will be in the Commercial line during the football season. He is equally as good at football as at baseball, which is about as sweeping a compliment as could well be paid to him. Abercromble, Commercial's powerful fullback, has about decided not to play this season, but he will doubtless reconsider his determination when the scent of battle is wafted from afar. He will coach the team and do everything in his power to make the season successful.

Blair, Wisconsin's famous tackle, is now a resident of Astoria. He played with Wisconsin when that team went east to meet Yale. The Yale eleven scored a touchdown in the last few moments of the play, but never once gained through Blair. He was in the '99 team and achieved a national reputation. That he will play with Commercial this year is about certain.

"We will have lots of splendid material from which to choose," said Mr. Abercromble yesterday. "All of the men who played with Commercial last season will be available next season, and with Harry Graham and Blair we ought to get a line that will give us the northwest championship. All of the men are enthusiastic, which is a material consideration among ama-

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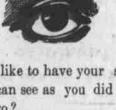
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